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Sir:

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For (Title):

LEAD-FREE PIEZOELECTRIC CERAMIC COMPOSITION WHEREIN Cu IS

CONTAINED IN (KxA1.x),(Nb1.zBz)O3 PEROVSKITE COMPOUND, AND PROCESS OF

PREPARING THE SAME

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\boxtimes	Formal drawings (Figs. 1-15; 8 sheets) are attached.
	Use Figure for front page of Publication.
8	A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
	This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No filed
	(A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)
\boxtimes	This patent application is assigned to (1) NORITAKE CO., LIMITED (2) NAGOYA INDUSTRIAL SCIENCE
RESE	ARCH INSTITUTE.
	The executed Assignment is filed herewith.
\boxtimes	An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.
\boxtimes	Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
	A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.
\boxtimes	Priority of foreign application No. 2002-278207 filed September 24, 2002 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
	A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith.
	This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that
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